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PATENT RESPONSE

REMARKS

Claims 1-22, 26-30, and 34 are pending.

Following discussions with the Examiner on April 26 and April 28, 2004, Applicant hereby submits this Supplemental Response, which Applicant believes the Examiner will enter as an Examiner's Amendment, as discussed.

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CONCLUSION

Applicant believes that pending Claims 1-22, 26-30 and 34 are in a condition for allowance, which Applicant respectfully requests.

Applicant believes this Response should allow the Examiner to allow the above-referenced patent application to issue as a U.S. patent without further amendments to the specification or claims. Thus, Applicant also requests notification to that effect.

If questions should arise, please telephone the undersigned attorney.

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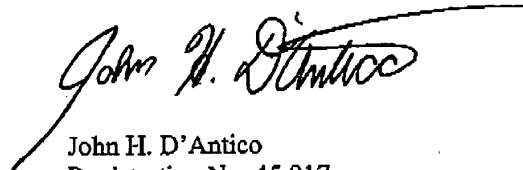
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EXTENSION OF TIME

The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply. Applicant does not believe this Response requires an extension of time. However, Applicant requests a conditional petition in case Applicant inadvertently overlooked the need to petition for a extension of time, in which case Applicant requests that any and all applicable charges be charged to Applicant's Deposit Account, 232053. Applicant intends this authorization to be carried throughout the pendency of this Application, in full accordance with 37 CFR 1.136.

Respectfully submitted,

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